



Sign Up Now

for Michigan's Organ, Tissue & Eye Donor Registry

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Why should I consider becoming an organ and tissue donor?

Your decision to be an organ and tissue donor:

- May save or enhance the lives of up to 50 people.
- Will not cost you or your family anything.
- Need not interfere with funeral arrangements, since organ and tissue donation does not change the body's appearance.
- Is an act of caring and love supported by all major religions in America.

In 2005, a record 954 Michigan residents donated organs and tissues, saving or enhancing thousands of lives. But unfortunately, nearly 3,000 residents remain on the waiting list for a lifesaving transplant. If your name isn't already on the Michigan Organ, Tissue & Eye Donor Registry, please sign up today at www.Michigan.gov/sos.



What is the Michigan Organ, Tissue & Eye Donor Registry?

It is a database of residents who wish to be organ and tissue donors. Enrolling on the registry may be done online at **www.Michigan.gov/sos** or by donor registry cards. The registry is confidential and can only be accessed by authorized medical personnel.

Gift of Life Michigan in Ann Arbor maintains the registry. As the state's only federally designated, nonprofit, full-service organ and tissue recovery organization, Gift of Life Michigan is charged with providing organ donor services and information statewide.



Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land

Please help sake lives.

Sign up today!

How do I sign up to be an organ and tissue donor?

Adding your name to the registry is easy! Visit the Department of State Web site at **www.Michigan.gov/sos** and click on the "Organ Donor Registry" button to begin. You will be asked to provide your driver's license or state identification card number, name, address and date of birth.

In addition, donor registry cards are included with the forms used to mail driver's licenses or state identification cards. To add your name to the registry, detach the card and mail it. If you have enrolled online, there is no need to mail the card.

I placed my name on the organ donor registry—is there anything else I can do?

Talk to your family and friends about your decision to be an organ and tissue donor. Keeping everyone informed will help avoid any confusion or delays and ensure that your wishes are carried out.

You should also consider giving to the Michigan Organ & Tissue Donation Education Fund.

What is the Michigan Organ & Tissue Donation Education Fund?

This fund, which is administered by the Michigan Department of Community Health, supports programs that encourage residents to sign up as organ and tissue donors. Your financial contribution will help promote organ and tissue donation and make a difference to someone waiting for a transplant. Donations may be itemized on federal income tax forms. Make checks payable to the Michigan Organ & Tissue Donation Education Fund and mail them to P.O. Box 30437, Lansing, MI, 48909.